

REMEMBER

2 Tim 2:8-9

1. KINGSHIP. *of the seed of David*

Rightful King of Israel. The Reigning One.

2 Samuel 7:12-13

Isn't a spur of moment thing

Christ is one prophesied in OT who would set up kingdom.

Acts 2:29-30 Romans 1:3-4

2. RESURRECTION. *was raised from the dead*

Resurrection of Christ--most prominent Christian truth.

Guarantee of all other aspects of work of Christ

Speaks of His deity.

Focal point of history!

He is alive and able to help you right now!

Hend: Not Nero but Jesus Christ, exalted at the right hand of the Father, has the reins of the universe in His hands and will continue to govern all things in the interest of the church and unto the glory of God.

Who raised Jesus from the dead?

God! Ephesians 1:20

Holy Spirit! Romans 8:11

Jesus! John 2:19- 20

What if Jesus not risen?

1 Corinthians 15:14-22 *We are of all men most miserable.*

3. GOSPEL *...according to my gospel:*

Gospel: Good news. 1 Corinthians 15:3-4

My gospel. I have taken ownership of the gospel.

When become Paul's gospel?

1. Believed it.

2. Surrendered to preach it.

2 Timothy 2:9

Wherein: refers to gospel;

Because of preaching — *trouble* (persecution, trials)

even unto bonds: shackles, chains, fetters,

Mamartine prison: Barnes: ... *The lower prison is supposed to have been once a quarry, and to have been at one time occupied as a granary... consist of two apartments, one over the other, built with large, uncemented stones. There is no entrance to either, except by a small aperture in the roof, and by a small hole in the upper floor, leading to the cell below, without any staircase to either. The upper prison is twenty-seven feet long, by twenty wide; the lower one is elliptical, and measures twenty feet by ten. ..*

Lenski: *Paul was going through the utmost shame and disgrace as a criminal of the most shameful and disgraceful kind.*

4. THE WORD OF GOD...but the word of God is not bound.

Bound: chained, shackled, confined, held down

Paul was shackled, but not Word of God.

The persecution of Christian leaders may hamper the progress of the gospel but it cannot imprison the Word of God nor prevent its spread.

The preacher is in prison but the Word of God is still moving on and transforming lives.

Not one thing man can do to silence or restrain Word of God.

It will triumph!

Psalms 147:15; Psalm 40:8; Isaiah 55:11; Acts 12:23-24; Acts 19:19-20

Paul's desire – get Word out! Philippians 1:18

Review:

1. Kingship of Jesus Christ--remember!
2. Resurrection of Jesus Christ – He can help you!
3. Gospel of Jesus Christ – Take ownership!
4. The Word of God – Not bound! Use it!